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The impact of the environment on health

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Abstract:

Increasingly science is providing evidence linking the disease burden of people with exposure to toxins in their environments. The quality of one's health is determined by physical, chemical, biological, social, and psychological problems in the environment. This article provides an overview of the current science on how environmental pollution is impacting upon the chronic disease burden in people, how toxic chemicals are traveling globally and entering the food chain, and the impact of changes in climate upon one's health.

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Resource Description

Communication: M

resource focus on research or methods on how to communicate or frame issues on climate change; surveys of attitudes, knowledge, beliefs about climate change

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Communication Audience: M

audience to whom the resource is directed

Health Professional

Exposure: 🛚

weather or climate related pathway by which climate change affects health

Ecosystem Changes, Extreme Weather Event, Food/Water Quality, Temperature

Food/Water Quality: Pathogen

Geographic Feature: M

resource focuses on specific type of geography

None or Unspecified

Geographic Location:

resource focuses on specific location

Global or Unspecified

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Health Impact: M

specification of health effect or disease related to climate change exposure

Infectious Disease, Injury

Infectious Disease: Foodborne/Waterborne Disease, Vectorborne Disease

Medical Community Engagement:

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resource focus on how the medical community discusses or acts to address health impacts of climate

change

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Population of Concern: A focus of content

Population of Concern: M

populations at particular risk or vulnerability to climate change impacts

Children, Pregnant Women

Resource Type: M

format or standard characteristic of resource

Review

Timescale: M

time period studied

Time Scale Unspecified